

**BEFORE THE MINNESOTA
BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**

In the Matter of the License of
Kristine L. Abrahamson, M.A., L.P.
License Number: LP3699

**FINDINGS OF FACT,
CONCLUSIONS,
AND FINAL ORDER**

The Minnesota Board of Psychology ("Board") is authorized pursuant to Minnesota Statutes sections 148.88 to 148.98, 214.10, and 214.103 to license and regulate psychologists, to refer complaints against licensed psychologists to the Attorney General for investigation, and to take disciplinary action when appropriate. If the Board has probable cause to believe that a licensee has demonstrated an inability to practice psychology with reasonable skill and safety due to mental or physical illness or condition, the Board may direct the licensee to submit to an independent mental, physical, or chemical dependency examination or evaluation. *See* Minn. Stat. § 148.941, subd. 8. Further, the Board may suspend the licensee if he or she fails to submit to the examination or evaluation without just cause. *See id.* The Board's Complaint Resolution Committee ("Committee") has the authority to investigate complaints, initiate suspension hearings, and file contested case proceedings. *See* Minn. Stat. §§ 148.941, subd. 8 and 214.10, subd. 2.

On August 22, 2014, the above-entitled matter came on for consideration by the Board. Sara P. Boeshans, Assistant Attorney General, appeared on behalf of the Committee. Respondent did not appear. Bryan D. Huffman, Assistant Attorney General, was present as legal advisor to the Board. Board members Patricia Stankovitch, Psy.D., L.P., Patricia Orud, M.A., L.P., and Roger Boughton, Ed.D., did not participate in deliberations and did not vote in the matter. Attorney Benjamin Meyers of DM Law Group, LLC appeared on behalf of Respondent.

FINDINGS OF FACTS

Based on the record and argument presented by both parties, the Board makes the following findings of fact:

1. On June 9, 2014, the Committee issued an Order for Physical Examination ("Order") upon Kristine L. Abrahamson, M.A., L.P. ("Respondent") in accordance with Minnesota Statutes section 148.941, subd. 8. The Committee's Order was based on information related to Respondent's physical health which could affect her ability to practice psychology with reasonable skill and safety.
2. Respondent failed to submit to the examination as directed in the Committee's Order.
3. Respondent did not inform the Committee of any reason that she would be unable to comply with the Order.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on the facts above, the Board reaches the following conclusions:

1. The Committee had probable cause to issue the Order.
2. Respondent's failure to comply with the Order was without just cause.

Accordingly, the Board issues the following:

ORDER


1. Respondent's license to practice psychology in the State of Minnesota is hereby **SUSPENDED** pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 148.941, subdivision 8. During the period of suspension, Respondent may not provide psychological services in any manner in the State of Minnesota.

2. Respondent is hereby notified, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes section 148.941, subdivision 8(b), that she will be given an opportunity, at reasonable intervals, to demonstrate that she is fit to resume the competent practice of psychology with reasonable skill and safety to the public.

3. This Order will remain in effect until Respondent has demonstrated that she is fit to resume the competent practice of psychology with reasonable skill and safety to the public.

Dated: August 22, 2014

MINNESOTA BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

By: 
Jeffrey Leichter, Ph.D., L.P.
Chair of the Board